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FOR BLAIR THOMPSON AND JIM ROBB, BEWT

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SUBJECT: FIRST PROGRESS REPORT -- BUDAPEST SPRING FAIR

- 1. FOLLOWING SUMMARIZES DUSEX ACTIVITIES FOR WEEKS ENDING FEB 20 AND 27.
- 2. ALL ACTIVITIES IN GUIDANCE LIST HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED EXCEPT NEGOTIATING FREIGHT FORWARDING CONTRACT. HOWEVER, HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH BANNON EXPORT SERVICE TO DETERMINE EXTENT TO WHICH THEY CAN SERVICE OUR NEEDS AND EXPECT PROPOSAL DURING NEXT WEEK. HAVE APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH MASPED, OFFICIAL FREIGHT FORWARDER FOR BUDAPEST FAIR, MONDAY MARCH 1.
- 3. CONSTRUCTION BIS HAVE BEEN LET TO: AMBROSIUS AND SOHN, FRANKFURT, GERMANY, GLAHE INTERNATIONAL, KOELN, GERMANY; AND INTERPUBLIC, ZAGREB, YUGOSLAVIA. RECEIVED FOLLOWING OFFERS: AMBROSIUS \$35,790, GLAHE \$21,467, INTERPUBLIC \$17,480. AFTER FINAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH TWO LOW BIDDERS, WILL TELEPHONE RECOMMENDATION NO LATER THAN MARCH 3. HOWEVER, BASED ON CURRENT INFORMATION IT APPEARS LIKELY INTERPUBLIC WILL BE SELECTED.
- 4. MET WITH TWO BUDAPEST PRINTING FIRMS TO SOLICIT PRICES FOR PRINT PACKAGE AND EXPECT THEIR OFFERS BY MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK. (A MARCH 1 MEETING IS SCHEDULED WITH UNCLASSIFIED

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THIRD PRINTER.) IF PRICES ARE COMPETITIVE AND WE

RECEIVE ASSURANCE OF ABILITY TO MEET PRINTING DEADLINES, WILL MOST LIKELY RECOMMEND USE OF BUDAPEST PRINTERS.

- 5. HAVE PRESENTED DRAWINGS TO FAIR ORGANIZERS, AND REVIEWED OUR EXHIBIT SPACE. AREA APPEARS TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION. HAVE BEEN ASSURED WE CAN MOVE ON SITE MAY 3, WHICH WILL PROVIDE AMPLE TIME TO EXHIBIT INSTALLATION.
- 6. AMEMB HAS MADE AVAILABLE SPACE IN COMMERCIAL LIBRARY FOR USDOC EXHIBITION TEAM. QUARTERS WILL BE SNUG BUT WORKABLE. EMBASSY SUPPORT IS EXCELLENT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMERCIAL SECTION.
- 7. DUSEX HAS SECURED APARTMENT AT BUDAPEST XII, ISTENHEGYI UT 70/A. TELEPHONE 166 992.
- 8. ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS DOCUMENTATION FOR VISHAY MICRO MEASUREMENTS, AND SET OF BROCHURES FROM VIKING PUMP.
- 9. HAVE NOT HEARD FURTHER FROM COMPOUNDING INGREDCMNTS LTD. SINCE DUSEX NOT FULLY AWARE OF CURRENT PROCUREMENT STATUS HAVE NOT PURSUED THIS MATTER FURTHER. ON YOUR ADVICE I WILL CONTACT MR. RAYMOND IN MANCHESTER TO DETERMINE HIS INTEREST IN PARTICIPATION. MUDD

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